



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**PATENT APPLICATION**

In re Application of:  
J. VAN DER HOOFDEN, et al.

Group Art Unit: 2502

Entitled:  
CIRCUIT ARRANGEMENT IN WHICH  
THE INPUT AND OUTPUT VOLTAGE  
OF A DC TO DC CONVERTER ARE  
ADDED TOGETHER TO OPERATE A  
DISCHARGE LAMP

Examiner: M. Shingleton

Docket No: PHN 15-364A

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Mahopac, NY 10541

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated August 19, 1998, please amend the above-identified application under the provisions of Rule 116 as follows: